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FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 1207

INFO AMEMBASSY ATHENS IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AEMR, LE, U

SUBJECT: BEIRUT EVACUATION

1. THE EMBASSY PLANS TO INSERT THE FOLLOWING NOTICE IN THE MONDAY MORNING, JULY 19, EDITIONS OF BEIRUT NEWSPAPERS. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF THE DEPARTMENT COULD HAVE THE MAJOR POINTS OF THE NOTICE INCLUDED IN VOA AND BBC BROADCASTS. THE ANNOUNCEMENTS SHOULD BE AT APPROPRIATE INTERVALS IN TIME TO CATCH THE LEBANESE LISTENING AUDIENCE.

2. BEGIN TEXT: NOTICE TO AMERICAN AND OTHER REGISTRANTS FOR DEPARTURE FROM WEST BEIRUT ON JULY 20 - CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE 29 OTHER COUNTRIES WHO HAVE REGISTERED FOR DEPARTURE FROM WEST BEIRUT MUST ASSEMBLE AND CHECK IN FOR A LAND CONVOY TO DAMASCUS BETWEEN 6 AND 7 A.M. ON TUESDAY, JULY 20, AT THE RIVIERA HOTTOUK THE CONVOY WILL DEPART FROM THE HOTEL SHORTLY THERE-AFTER.

EACH REGISTRANT MUST HOLD VALID TRAVEL DOCUMENTS AND IS  
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RESPONSIBLE FOR BRINGING ENOUGH FOOD AND DRINKING WATER FOR ONE

DAY.

BUS TRANSPORTATION IS BEING PROVIDED FOR REGISTRANTS WHO DO NOT HAVE THEIR OWN TRANSPORTATION. HOWEVER, THOSE TRAVELLING BY BUS WILL BE LIMITED TO TWO SUITCASES PER PERSON AND WILL BE UNABLE TO TAKE PETS.

REGISTRANTS PROVIDING THEIR OWN TRANSPORTATION MUST ADVISE THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY OF THIS FACT BY 4 P.M. ON MONDAY, JULY 19, AND ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSURING THAT THEIR VEHICLES HAVE A FULL TANK OF GASOLINE AND SUFFICIENT OIL AND WATER.

IF THE NUMBER OF AMERICAN REGISTRANTS WITHOUT ONWARD TRANSPORTATION FROM DAMASCUS WARRANTS, SEATS ON CHARTERED AIRCRAFT FROM DAMASCUS TO ATHENS MAY BE OFFERED.

REGISTRANTS WILL BE INFORMED AS THEY CHECK IN AT THE RIVIERA HOTEL. END TEXT

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